

# BEARFACTS 1995 – 2005 Lafayette-Acadiana (BEA-EA) [57090]

Lafayette-Acadiana is one of 179 BEA Economic Areas in the nation. Its 2005 population of 811,572 ranked 82nd in the nation.

## PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2005 Lafayette-Acadiana had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$26,845. This PCPI ranked 143rd in the United States and was 77 percent of the national average, \$34,757. The 2005 PCPI reflected an increase of 6.5 percent from 2004. The 2004-2005 national change was 4.9 percent. In 1995 the PCPI of Lafayette-Acadiana was \$17,142 and ranked 163rd in the United States. The 1995-2005 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.6 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 4.2 percent.

## TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2005 Lafayette-Acadiana had a total personal income (TPI) of \$21,786,592\*. This TPI ranked 89th in the United States. In 1995 the TPI of Lafayette-Acadiana was \$13,359,034\* and ranked 90th in the United States. The 2005 TPI reflected an increase of 6.9 percent from 2004. The 2004-2005 national change was 5.9 percent. The 1995-2005 average annual growth rate of TPI was 5.0 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.3 percent.

## COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Lafayette-Acadiana. In 2005 net earnings accounted for 64.7 percent of TPI (compared with 61.8 in 1995); dividends, interest, and rent were 11.9 percent (compared with 16.4 in 1995); and personal current transfer receipts were 23.4 percent (compared with 21.9 in 1995). From 2004 to 2005 net earnings increased 7.6 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 6.4 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 13.3 percent. From 1995 to 2005 net earnings increased on average 5.5 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 1.7 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 5.7 percent.

## EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Lafayette-Acadiana increased from \$14,444,426\* in 2004 to \$15,518,990\* in 2005, an increase of 7.4 percent. The 2004-2005 national change was 5.4 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1995 estimate of \$9,167,164\* to the 2005 estimate was 5.4 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.5 percent.

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<sup>\*</sup>Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.